OPINION 1872

Siboma atraria Girard, 1856 (currently Gila atraria; Osteichthyes, Cypriniformes): specific name conserved

Keywords. Nomenclature; taxonomy; Osteichthyes; Cypriniformes; Utah chub; Gila atraria; Tigoma lineata; United States of America.

Ruling

- (1) Under the plenary powers the specific name *lineata* Girard, 1856, as published in the binomen *Tigoma lineata*, is hereby suppressed for the purposes of the Principle of Priority but not for those of the Principle of Homonymy.
- (2) The name *atraria* Girard, 1856, as published in the binomen *Siboma atraria*, is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology.
- (3) The name *lineata* Girard, 1856, as published in the binomen *Tigoma lineata* and as suppressed in (1) above, is hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Specific Names in Zoology.

History of Case 2965

An application for the conservation of the specific name of *Siboma atraria* Girard, 1856 was received from Dr Carter R. Gilbert (*Florida Museum of Natural History, University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida, U.S.A.*) on 27 January 1995. After correspondence the case was published in BZN 52: 324–327 (December 1995). Notice of the case was sent to appropriate journals.

It was noted on the voting paper that the application cited publication of Girard's (1856) paper from *Proceedings of the Academy of Natural Sciences of Philadelphia*, **8**: 165–213. The *Proceedings* were issued sometime between the date of acceptance of Girard's paper (30 September 1856) and 27 December 1856. The first publication of Girard's paper, however, was in September 1856 as a separate (as pointed out by Dr Reeve M. Bailey in a comment on Case 2808 published in BZN **51**: 262–263, September 1994). In this the paper has a slightly altered title (the words 'of America' are lacking) and different pagination (pp. 1–54), and has a list of species and an index (pp. 51–54) which are not found in the publication as it appeared in vol. 8 of the *Proceedings*.

Decision of the Commission

On 1 December 1996 the members of the Commission were invited to vote on the proposals published in BZN **52**: 325. At the close of the voting period on 1 March 1997 the votes were as follows:

Affirmative votes — 21: Bock, Brothers, Cocks, Dupuis, Eschmeyer, Heppell, Kabata, Kerzhner, Kraus, Macpherson, Mahnert, Martins de Souza, Mawatari, Nielsen, Nye, Papp, Patterson, Savage, Schuster, Song, Štys

Negative votes — 1: Bouchet.

No votes were received from Cogger, Lehtinen and Minelli.

Ride was on leave of absence.

Bouchet commented: 'I approve the intention of the application to conserve the current usage of the specific name of *Gila atraria*. This could have been done simply

by setting aside the first reviser action of Evermann & Rutter (1895) (para. 5 of the application) and placing *Siboma atraria* on the Official List. I am opposed to placing on the Official Index *Tigoma lineata*, which is unambiguously defined by its type material'.

Original references

The following are the original references to the names placed on an Official List and an Official Index by the ruling given in the present Opinion:

atraria, Siboma, Girard, 1856, Researches upon the cyprinoid fishes inhabiting the freshwaters of the United States west of the Mississippi Valley, from specimens in the museum of the Smithsonian Institution, p. 44. (First issued as a separate in September 1856; published in the Proceedings of Natural Sciences of Philadelphia, 8: 208 between 30 September and 27 December 1856).

lineata, Tigoma, Girard, 1856, Researches upon the cyprinoid fishes inhabiting the freshwaters of the United States west of the Mississippi Valley, from specimens in the museum of the Smithsonian Institution, p. 42. (First issued as a separate in September 1856; published in the Proceedings of Natural Sciences of Philadelphia, 8: 206 between 30 September and 27 December 1856).